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## TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is a patent application identified as follows:

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Title: VAPOR DEPOSITED TITANIUM AND TITANIUM-NITRIDE LAYERS FOR  
DENTAL DEVICES

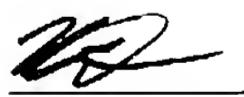
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 Continuation     Divisional     Continuation-in-part (CIP) of:  
 The specification contains a statement claiming priority under 35 USC § 120.
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Enclosed are:

- 19 pages Specification  
 4 pages Claims  
 1 page Abstract  
 5 sheets Drawings  
 2 copies of a 2 page Declaration and Power of Attorney, one copy signed by one inventor the other copy signed by the other inventor.  
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 1 page Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet  
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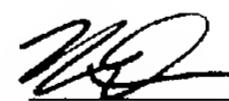
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**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION  
UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

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Title	VAPOR DEPOSITED TITANIUM AND TITANIUM-NITRIDE LAYERS FOR DENTAL DEVICES
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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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